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Mason Wells, Investor Group Acquire Dedicated Computing

MILWAUKEE—April 6, 2006—Mason Wells announced today the acquisition of Dedicated Computing, a Waukesha, Wis.-based manufacturer and integrator of purpose-specific computers for Original Equipment Manufacturers and Independent Software Vendors. The acquisition is the second investment of the recently raised Mason Wells Buyout Fund II.

Mason Wells, along with Dedicated Computing management and Prudential Capital, acquired 100 percent of the equity of the company from Terry and Nancy Anderson. Dedicated Computing was the sole operating entity of Omni Tech Corporation, which was founded by the Andersons in 1978. Senior financing for the transaction was provided by M&I Bank, Harris Bank and U.S. Bank. Mezzanine financing was provided by Prudential Capital.

Dedicated Computing utilizes commercially available PC, mobile computing, industrial and other open standard technologies to provide embedded computing solutions that are customized to specific customer applications. Along with its products, the company delivers a suite of services that includes system design, product lifecycle management, validation, certification and full integration services. Dedicated Computing's products and services are incorporated into a variety of end-user applications including medical imaging, video security and military simulation systems.

“We are very excited about the growth prospects for Dedicated Computing,” said Bill Krugler, managing director at Mason Wells. “OEMs are moving away from proprietary systems to commercial off-the-shelf technology for their embedded computing needs and at the same time outsourcing the design and assembly of these open standard systems to integrators like Dedicated Computing. The management team at Dedicated has done an outstanding job of positioning the company to take advantage of these trends.”

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